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March 31, 2000

Julie Bennett T.H.E. Engineers Inc. 131 Prosperous Place Suite 15 Lexington, Ky. 40509

Data Request 00-195

Dear Ms. Bennett:

This letter is in response to your data request of March 24, 2000 for the I-66 Pulaski County, Kentucky project. We have reviewed our Natural Heritage Program Database to determine if any of the endangered, threatened, or special concern plants and animals or exemplary natural communities monitored by the Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission occur for an area within the Science Hill, Ky., Delmer, Ky., Bobtown, Ky., and Somerset, Ky., USGS quadrangles. Based on our most current information, we have determined that three occurrences of the plants or animals and one occurence of the exemplary natural communities that are monitored by KSNPC are reported as occurring in the specified area. It is possible that other KSNPC- monitored species occur in the specified area, particularly those recorded from nearby locations of similar habitat. I am including a list of species known to occur in Pulaski County for your information.

Corynorhinus rafinesquii (Rafinesque's Big-Eared Bat, KSNPC threatened) is noted to occur adjacent to your proposed project site. Suitable roost and winter sites include sandstone and limestone caves, rockhouses, clifflines and abandoned mines. Summer habitats include upland forests, bottomland forests and riparian corridors. In order to avoid impacts to bats, a thorough survey should be conducted. The survey should include a search for potential roost and winter sites, and a mistnetting census at numerous points within the proposed corridor, particularly in preferred summer habitat.

There are several caves in the area of the proposed project. Caves are often associated with



sensitive ecosystems and may provide habitat for a number of rare or endangered species. Cave organisms are heavily dependent on water quality, and steps should be taken to avoid disturbance of the watershed. Because the federal Cave Protection Act calls for the protection of caves, the location is not included in this report. Please contact KSNPC for more information. You should be specifically aware of the presence of a series of caves along Caney Fork north of Somerset. There are likely others.

Orconectes australis (A crayfish, KSNPC threatened) has been noted to occur within this area historically. The species inhabits subterranean streams and pools, and is sensitive to changes in water quality as caused by disturbance of the watershed.

Aquatic species and habitats in the area are sensitive to increased turbidity, sediment and other adverse influences on water quality. Our data are not sufficient to guarantee absence of endangered, threatened or sensitive species from the sites of proposed construction disturbance. We recommend that impacted streams be thoroughly surveyed by a qualified biologist prior to any instream disturbance.

A Floodplain Ridge/Terrace Forest community is also present adjacent to the project area. This community occurs on level to gently sloping ground of natural levees, floodplain ridges, and terraces. It has deep soil, moderately well drained; generally mesic throughout the year; sometimes subject to flood but usually of short duration. The tree canopy is tall, dense, and closed while the understory is tall and well developed. Ground cover is also well developed and dense and vines are common. Characteristic trees and shrubs include Acer saccharum, Carya cordiformis, Juglans nigra, Tilia americana, Gymnocladus dioicus, Ulmus americana, Liquidambar, Asimina triloba, Lindera benzoin, Aesculus glabra, Arundinaria, Magnolia acuminata, Nyssa sylvatica and others.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the terms of the data request license, which you agreed upon in order to submit your request. The license agreement states "Data and data products received from the Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission, including any portion thereof, may not be reproduced in any form or by any means without the express written authorization of the Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission." The exact location of plants, animals, and natural communities, if released by the Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission, may not be released in any document or correspondence. These products are provided on a temporary basis for the express project (described above) of the requester, and may not be redistributed, resold or copied without the written permission of the Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission's Data Manager (801 Schenkel Lane, Frankfort, KY, 40601. Phone: (502) 573-2886).

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natural areas in Kentucky have never been thoroughly surveyed, and new plants and animals are still being discovered. For these reasons, the Kentucky Natural Heritage Program cannot provide a definitive statement on the presence, absence, or condition of biological elements in any part of Kentucky. Heritage reports summarize the existing information known to the Kentucky Natural Heritage Program at the time of the request regarding the biological elements or locations in question. They should never be regarded as final statements on the elements or areas being considered, nor should they be substituted for on-site surveys required for environmental assessments.

We would greatly appreciate receiving any pertinent information obtained as a result of onsite surveys. An Element Occurrence Record short form is included with this response to facilitate the transfer of information about rare species and communities observed during field surveys.

If you have any questions or if I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Sara Hines Data Manager

EJB/SGH

Enclosures:

Data Report and Interpretation Key

List of Species from Pulaski County, Kentucky and Interpretation Key

Endangered, Threatened, and Special Concern Plants and Animals of Kentucky

Plants and Animals Presumed Extinct or Extirpated from Kentucky

Monitored Natural Communities of Kentucky Element Occurrence Record Short Form Page 1 of 1 3/27/00

Standard Occurrence Report of KSNPC records for the I-86 Pulaski County, Kentucky project.





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May 30, 2002

Julie Clark T.H.E. Engineers 131 Prosperous Place, Suite 15 Lexington, KY 40509

Data Request 02-189

Dear Ms. Clark:

This letter is in response to your data request of 5/23/02 for the Northern Somerset Bypass Ecological Survey project. We have reviewed our Natural Heritage Program Database to determine if any mussel species monitored by the Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission occur in an area of Fishing Creek as shown on the map provided, and the Sulphur Springs Hollow tributary of Fishing Creek. Based on our most current information, we have determined that seven occurrences of the mussels that are monitored by KSNPC are reported as occurring in the Pitman Creek area. No occurrences were found in the area near Fishing Creek. Please see the attached standard occurrence report for more information.

The species found are sensitive to changes in water quality as caused by disturbance of the watershed. The proposed site should be thoroughly surveyed and construction planned carefully in order to avoid disturbance of the species.

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Sara Hines Data Manager

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Enclosures: Data Report and Interpretation Key



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Provided to Julie Clark
T.H.E. Engineers

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Standard Occurrence Report Endangered, Threatened, and Special Concern Plants, Animals, and Natural Communities Reported for the Northern Somerset Bypass

KSNPC Data Request 02-189

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Provided to Julie Clark T.H.E. Engineers



United States Department of the Interior

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

446 Neal Street Cookeville, TN 38501

April 19, 2000

Ms. Julie Bennett Biologist T.H.E. Engineers, Inc. 131 Prosperous Place, Suite 15 Lexington, Kentucky 40509

Dear Ms. Bennett:

Thank you for your letter and enclosures of March 20, 2000, concerning the proposed construction of Interstate 66 from the Cumberland Parkway west of Somerset to KY-80 east of Somerset in Pulaski County, Kentucky. The Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has reviewed the information submitted and offers the following comments.

Endangered species collection records available to the Service indicate that the following federally listed species may occur within the project impact area:

Indiana bat - Myotis sodalis
Gray bat - Myotis grisescens
Little-winged pearly mussel - Pegias fabula

You should assess potential impacts and determine if the proposed work may affect these species. A "may affect" finding could necessitate initiation of formal consultation with this office by the lead federal agency or its agent, and our subsequent issuance of a biological opinion.

Your concern for the protection of endangered species is appreciated. If you have questions regarding this information, or if we can be of further assistance, please contact Timothy Merritt of my staff at 931/528-6481, ext. 211, or via e-mail at timothy merritt@fws.gov.

Sincerely,

Lee A. Barclay, Ph.D.

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Field Supervisor

May 30, 2002

FAX TRANSMITTAL

To: Julie Clark, T.H.E. Engineers, Inc., (859) 263-9808

From: Rob Tawes, USFWS, (931) 528-7075

Re: Project Recoordination; Northern Somerset Bypass, Kentucky

Item # 8-59.20
 Pulaski County
 FWS# 02-1673

Construction of northern Somerset Bypass

No new federally listed, candidate, or proposed species occurrences known from project area since April 19, 2000 letter

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES C. THOMAS BENNETT, COMMISSIONER

April 11, 2000

Julie Bennett T.H.E. Engineers 131 Prosperous Place, Suite 15 Lexington, KY 40509

RE: Threatened/endangered species review for Construction of I-66, Item Number 8-59.16, Pulaski County, Kentucky

Dear Ms. Bennett:

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) has received your request for the above-referenced information. The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Information System indicates that the federally endangered Gray bat is known to occur in the Bobtown, Delmer, Science Hill, and Somerset 7.5 minute USGS quadrangles. Please be aware that our database system is a dynamic one that only represents our current knowledge of the various species distributions.

Based on this information, KDFWR makes the following recommendations.

In quadrangles in which gray bats are known to occur, any cave entrances that exist within the project area (i.e. the right-of-way and regeneration sites) should be surveyed for potential use by gray bats. Because gray bats are cave residents year-round and maternity colonies are generally found in close proximity to rivers, streams and lakes, any caves within the project area could offer potentially valuable habitat to resident gray bats. If a bat survey is necessary, please contact this office at (502) 564-7109 or the US Fish and Wildlife Service office at (931) 528-6481 for information on how to proceed.

The KDFWR recommends that you contact the appropriate US Corps of Engineers office (Louisville COE (502) 582-5452, Nashville COE (615) 736-5181) and the Kentucky Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet, Division of Water (502) 564-3410 prior to any excavation within the waterways of Kentucky. Additionally, KDFWR recommends the following for the portions of the project that cross intermittent or perennial streams:

- 1. Development/excavation during a low flow period to minimize disturbance;
- Proper placement of erosion control structures below highly disturbed areas to minimize entry of silt to the stream;
- Replanting of disturbed areas after construction, including stream banks and right-ofways, with native vegetation for soil stabilization and enhancement of fish and wildlife populations;
- Return all disturbed instream habitat to its original condition upon completion of construction in the area;
- Preservation of any tree canopy of erhanging the stream;
- Return all right-of-ways to original levation.



Page Two Julie Bennett April 11, 2000

I hope this information proves useful to you. If you have any questions or require additional comment, please call me at the above listed number, extension 366.

Sincerely,

Marla T. Barbour Fisheries Biologist III

cc: Environmental Section File

Federally Listed T&E Species Reported from SOMERSET Quadrangle

Common Name	Scientific Name	Status Code	Reference
gray bat	Myotis grisescens A. H. Howell, 1909	223, 101, 601	

This list was created through the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Information System.



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October 8, 2002

Mr. David M. Waldner, Director Division of Environmental Analysis Kentucky Transportation Cabinet 125 Holmes Street Frankfort, KY 40622

Re: A Cultural Resource Survey for the Somerset Northern Bypass from KY 80 to the Cumberland Parkway in Pulaski County, Kentucky. (Item No. 8-59.16)

Dear Mr. Waldner:

The State Historic Preservation Office has received for review and approval the above referenced cultural historic survey completed by Helen Powell of H. Powell and Company. We concur that Site 1, Site 2, Site 3, Site 4, Site 5, Site 6, Site 8, Site 9, Site 10, Site 11, Site 12, Site 13, Site 14, Site 15, Site 16, Site 17, Site 18, Site 19, Site 20, Site 21, Site 22, Site 23, Site 24, Site 25, Site 26, Site 27, Site 28, Site 29, Site 30, Site 31, Site 32, Site 33, Site 34, Site 35, Site 36, Site 37, Site 38, Site 39, Site 40, Site 41, Site 42, Site 43, Site 44, Site 47, Site 48, Site 49, Site 50, Site 51, Site 52, Site 53, Site 54, Site 55, Site 56, Site 57, Site 58, Site 59, Site 60, Site 61, Site 62, Site 63, Site 64, Site 65, Site 66, Site 67, Site 68, Site 69, Site 70, Site 71, Site 72, Site 73, Site 74, Site 75, Site 76, Site 77, Site 79, Site 80, Site 81, Site 82, Site 84, Site 85. Site 86, Site 87, Site 88, Site 89, Site 90, Site 91, Site 92, and Site 93 are not eligible for listing on the National Register individually or within the context of a historic district.

We are in disagreement, however, with the determination that Site 7, Site 45, Site 46, Site 78, and Site 83 are ineligible for listing. Site 7, Site 45, Site 46, and Site 83 will not be impacted by this project and further review is not necessary. However, Site 78 will be impacted by the Northern Alternate and will experience an adverse effect. It is requested, therefore, that the Northern Alternate not be chosen as the preferred alignment. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Craig Potts of my staff at (502) 564-7005 ext. 121.

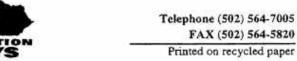
Sincerely,

David L. Morgan, Director

Kentucky Heritage Council and

State Historic Preservation Officer

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Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet

Frankfort, Kentucky 40622

Clifford C. Linkes, P.E. Deputy Secretary

James C. Codell, III Secretary of Transportation

November 8, 2002

Mr. Greg Michaud Environmental Services Manager Johnson, Depp & Quisenberry 2417 Regency Road – Suite D Lexington, Kentucky 40503

Dear Mr. Michaud:

SUBJECT:

A Cultural Resource Survey For The Somerset Northern Bypass From KY 80 To The Cumberland Parkway

Pulaski County, Kentucky

Item No 8-59.2 (Please note the change in the Item No from 8-59.10)

We have received notification from the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) on the above subject project and have attached the SHPO letter for your review. The SHPO concurs that Sites 1-6, 8-44, 47-77, 79-82, 84-93 are not eligible for the National Register. However, the SHPO disagrees that Sites 7, 45, 46, 78 and 83 are not eligible. The project will have no effect on all sites except for Site 78. However, after a conversation with Craig Potts of the Kentucky Heritage Council, Cathi Blair of District 8 and Rebecca Turner of my staff, the boundary for Site 78 should be the footprint of the dwelling found in Site 78 (See attached e-mail dated November 8, 2002). Therefore, the project will have no effect on any of the above sites.

If you have any questions please contact Rebecca Turner or me at 502-564-7250.

Very truly yours,

David M. Waldner, P.E., Director Division of Environmental Analysis

c w/a: K. Sperry, P. Rawlings, D. Harmon, R.H. Turner, D-8 (D. Beattie, C. Blair), FHWA,

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Mr. David M. Waldner, Director Division of Environmental Analysis Kentucky Transportation Cabinet 125 Holmes Street Frankfort, KY 40622

> Re: Somerset Northern Bypass Project; Assessment of Appropriate Boundaries for Site 78 (Cumberland House), Pulaski County, Kentucky. (Item No. 8-59.2)

Dear Mr. Waldner:

The State Historic Preservation Office has received for review and approval the boundary assessment for Site 78 identified within the above referenced project's Cultural Historic Survey. We concur that the house and portions of the surrounding yard will serve as an appropriate boundary. The significance of this resource is tied to its vernacular style (a very good, intact example of the Cumberland house form) and excludes larger land areas. Should you have any questions regarding these comments, please do not hesitate to contact Tom Sanders or Craig Potts of my staff at (502) 564-7005.

Sincerely,

David L. Morgan, Firector

Kentucky Heritage Council and

State Historic Preservation Officer

